## AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

Please cancel the Abstract section of the specification and replace with the following:

## ABSTRACT

A platform for a device for wetting objects, especially for an incubation/hybridization chamber is defined by an object support. The platform is arranged at a distance to the object support. The platform comprises a base provided with at least one spacer and a frame carrying the base. The inventive platform is characterized in that the base is movably mounted relative to the frame by a bearing device. In a first function position, the bearing device maintains the base such that the base projects from the frame and/or the bearing device. In a second functional position, the base projects in some areas beyond an imaginary plane in which the surface of the base is disposed.

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